open position and reducing mechanical dead space and resistance in the breathing circuit.

(b) Classification. Class II (performance standards).

§868.5260 Breathing circuit bacterial filter.

- (a) *Identification.* A breathing circuit bacterial filter is a device that is intended to remove microbiological and particulate matter from the gases in the breathing circuit.
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

§868.5270 Breathing system heater.

- (a) *Identification.* A breathing system heater is a device that is intended to warm breathing gases before they enter a patient's airway. The device may include a temperature controller.
- (b) Classification. Class II (performance standards).

§868.5280 Breathing tube support.

- (a) *Identification.* A breathing tube support is a device that is intended to support and anchor a patient's breathing tube(s).
- (b) *Classification*. Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

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§868.5300 Carbon dioxide absorbent.

- (a) *Identification*. A carbon dioxide absorbent is a device intended for medical purposes that consists of an absorbent material (e.g., soda lime) that is intended to remove carbon dioxide from the gases in the breathing circuit.
- (b) *Classification*. Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

[47 FR 31142, July 16, 1982, as amended at 61 FR 1120, Jan. 16, 1996]

§868.5310 Carbon dioxide absorber.

(a) *Identification*. A carbon dioxide absorber is a device that is intended for medical purposes and that is used in a breathing circuit as a container for carbon dioxide absorbent. It may include a canister and water drain.

(b) *Classification*. Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

[47 FR 31142, July 16, 1982, as amended at 61 FR 1120, Jan. 16, 1996]

§868.5320 Reservoir bag.

- (a) *Identification*. A reservoir bag is a device, usually made of conductive rubber, intended for use in a breathing circuit as a reservoir for breathing gas and to assist, control, or monitor a patient's ventilation.
- (b) *Classification*. Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

[47 FR 31142, July 16, 1982, as amended at 61 FR 1120, Jan. 16, 1996]

§868.5330 Breathing gas mixer.

- (a) *Identification*. A breathing gas mixer is a device intended for use in conjunction with a respiratory support apparatus to control the mixing of gases that are to be breathed by a patient.
- (b) *Classification*. Class II (performance standards).

§868.5340 Nasal oxygen cannula.

- (a) *Identification*. A nasal oxygen cannula is a two-pronged device used to administer oxygen to a patient through both nostrils.
- (b) *Classification.* Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

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§868.5350 Nasal oxygen catheter.

- (a) *Identification*. A nasal oxygen catheter is a device intended to be inserted through a patient's nostril to administer oxygen.
- (b) *Classification*. Class I. The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter.

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